TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 183 – SB 862

June 3, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (019399): Deletes the language of the original bill. Designates the Greene County Clerk and Master to perform the duties of administration of estates and guardian appointments. Currently, these duties are performed by the County Clerk. Sets the effective date for transferring records, files, and other documents relating to probate matters upon becoming law; sets the effective date for transferring duties and authority over probate matters for January 1, 2011.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

MINIMAL

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase Local Expenditures - \$68,400/FY10-11* \$36,800/FY11-12 and Subsequent Years*

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- According to the Greene County Clerk and Master, one position and a budget for office supplies will be transferred from the County Clerk's office.
- One additional full-time position (\$20,000 salary and \$6,800 benefits) and one part-time position (\$10,000) will be needed to fulfill the new requirements. These positions will not be filled until January 1, 2011.
- There will be one-time start-up costs for the office of approximately \$50,000. These costs will include equipment, office space, transfer of files, etc.

• The increase in local expenditures is estimated to be \$68,400 in FY10-11 (\$18,400 for salaries from January 2011-June 2011 + \$50,000 start-up costs) and \$36,800 in FY11-12 and subsequent years (salaries only).

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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